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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 2, 2003

Sir:

This election is being filed timely in response to the Restriction Requirement of October 2, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application.

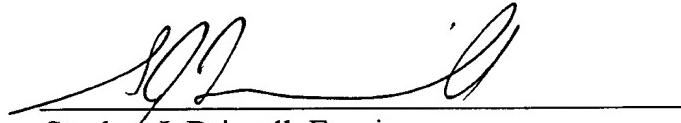
The Examiner restricted prosecution of the above-identified application to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-19, drawn to a method, classified in class 438, subclass 710; and
- II. Claims 20-23, drawn to a product, classified in class 428, subclass 900+.

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In response, Applicants hereby elect to proceed with Group I, claims 1-19. Applicants respectfully request that the examiner withdraw claims 20-23 from consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



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